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WHEREAS, WE, GEORGES LEVY and NICOLAS FANQEAT, citizens of France, whose post office addresses are at 4 rue de Terrial, F 63000 Clermont-Ferrand, France and 28 avenue Thermale, F-63400, Chamalieres, France, respectively, have made an invention entitled "METHODS FOR ESTIMATION OF TIRE WEAR" as set forth and described in application for Letters Patent of the United States Serial No. 10/611,535 filed July 1, 2003; and

WHEREAS, Michelin Recherche et Technique S.A., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Country of Switzerland, and having an office for the transaction of business at Route Louis Braille 10 et 12, Granges-Paccot, Switzerland, CH-1763, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and any improvements thereon, and in and to the said application for Letters Patent therefor, and any Letters Patent which may be obtained therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, BE IT KNOWN, that we, the said, GEORGES LEVY and NICOLAS FANOEAT, for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00), lawful money of the United States, to us in hand paid by said Michelin Recherche et Technique S.A., and other valuable considerations unto us moving from said Michelin Recherche et Technique S.A., at or before the ensealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, have sold, assigned, transferred and conveyed and by these presents do sell, assign, transfer and convey, unto said Michelin Recherche et Technique S.A., its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to the said invention entitled "METHODS FOR ESTIMATION OF TIRE WEAR" as set forth and described in application for Letters Patent of the United States Serial No. 10/611,535, filed July 1, 2003 and any and all improvements thereon, and in and to said application and any division, continuation or continuation-in-part thereof, and in and to any Letters Patent of the United States which may be issued on any of said applications, and any reissues thereof, and in and to any and all applications for Letters Patent filed in foreign countries claiming priority to this application for Letters Patent of the United States Serial No. 10/611,535, filed July 1, 2003 and any and all improvements, and any and all Letters Patent which may be granted in foreign countries therefrom, TO HAVE AND TO HOLD THE SAME to the full end of the term or terms for which any and all said Letters Patent may be granted;

AND WE, the said, GEORGES LEVY and NICOLAS FANGEAT do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue the said Letters Patent of the United States to said Michelin Recherche et Technique S.A., as the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in and to the same, for the sole use and behalf of said Michelin Recherche et Technique S.A., its successors and assigns;

AND WE, the said, GEORGES LEVY and NICOLAS FANQEAT for the considerations aforesaid, do hereby covenant and agree to and with said Michelin Recherche et Technique S.A., its successors and assigns, that we have the full power to make this assignment, and that the rights assigned are not encumbered by any grant, license or right heretofore given, and that we, our executors or administrators, shall and will do all lawful acts and things and make, execute and deliver without further

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